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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Friday, 19 October 2001

SECURITY COUNCIL

10 a.m. 4392nd meeting Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda

2. The situation in Somalia

Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Somalia (S/2001/963)

FIFTY-SIXTH REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The 29th and 30th plenary meetings of the fifty-sixth regular session of the General Assembly will be held on Monday, 22 October 2001, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the General Assembly Hall (see p. 5).

FIFTY-SIXTH REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

General debate
(10-16 November 2001)

The provisional list of speakers (No. 4/Rev.1) for the general debate of the fifty-sixth regular session of the General Assembly is now available in room S-3001. The provisional list of speakers (No. 4/Rev.1) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (office of the Permanent Representative).

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

Committees

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	16th meeting	Conference Room 1

1. Advancement of women [112] (A/56/3*, A/56/38/Rev.1, A/56/174, A/56/222-S/2001/736, A/56/268, A/56/279, A/56/306, A/56/316, A/56/328, A/56/329, A/56/472*)

2. Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" [113] (A/56/222-S/2001/736, A/56/306, A/56/319 and Add.1)

Continuation of general discussion

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* To be issued.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	14th meeting	Conference Room 3

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 [123] (A/56/6 and Corr.1, introduction and fascicles 1-33 and income sections 1-3, A/56/7 and A/56/16)

Continuation of general discussion

Morning* - 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 121 and 126 (Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations and Human resources management: Proposed regulations governing the status, basic rights, and duties of officials other than Secretariat officials and experts on mission and regulations governing the status, basic rights and duties of the Secretary-General (A/55/928 and A/56/437))

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* Following the adjournment of the 14th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE:

10 a.m.	9th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Observer status for Partners in Population and Development in the General Assembly [176] (A/55/241, A/C.6/56/L.4 and Corr.1)

Observer status for the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance in the General Assembly [168] (A/55/617, A/C.6/56/L.5)

Observer status for the Community of Sahelo-Saharan States in the General Assembly [173] (A/55/191, A/C.6/56/L.3)

WORKING GROUP ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 51/210 OF 17 DECEMBER 1996

Morning* - 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Trusteeship Council Chamber

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* Following the adjournment of the 9th meeting of the Sixth Committee.

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PREPARATORY COMMITTEE FOR THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON FINANCING FOR DEVELOPMENT

Resumed third session

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	informal meeting	Conference Room 2

Preparations of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development [3] (A/AC.257/25)

Consideration of draft outcome document: Addressing systemic issues (enhancing the coherence and consistency of the international monetary, financial and trading systems in support of development); Staying engaged

3 p.m.	informal meeting	Conference Room 2

Preparations of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development [3] (A/AC.257/25)

Conclusion of consideration of draft outcome document

Afternoon*-6 p.m.	7th meeting	Conference Room 2

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [1]

   *Action on draft proposals contained in A/AC.257/29 and Add.1 and Corr.1***)*

2. Preparations of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development [3]

   Action on draft proposal

3. Draft provisional agenda for the fourth session of the Preparatory Committee [4] (A/AC.257/L.9**)

4. Adoption of the report of the Committee on its third session [5] (A/AC.257/L.8**)

   Conclusion of the session

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* Following the adjournment of the informal meeting.

** To be issued.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Draft report
2. Executive session on the United Nations International Drug Control Programme
3. Executive session on the United Nations University

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION

Second regular session of 2001

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

SECOND COMMITTEE

Panel discussion

There will be a panel discussion on "Human Genome", organized by the Division for ECOSOC Support and Coordination of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, in collaboration with the InterAcademy Council, *today*, 19 October 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

The panel will be chaired by H.E. Mr. Francisco Seixas da Costa (Portugal), Chairman of the Second Committee. Mr. Michael Doyle, Special Advisor and Assistant Secretary-General, Executive Office of the Secretary-General, will serve as Moderator and Professor Bruce Alberts; President of the National Academy of Sciences, will serve as Co-moderator. Presentations will be made by Professor Eric S. Lander, Massachusetts Institute of Science and Technology; Dr. Nirmal Kumar Ganguly, Director-General of the Indian Council of Medical Research; Professor Arturo Falaschi, President, International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology; and Professor Ruichi Ida, Chairman of the International Bioethics Committee of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.

Members of permanent missions, United Nations staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Friday, 19 October 2001

ISLAMIC GROUP OF THE SIXTH COMMITTEE
(at the expert level)

9 a.m.-10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

AFRICAN GROUP:

GROUP OF EXPERTS
(on Sixth Committee matters)

1.15 p.m. - 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 3

ARAB GROUP OF THE SIXTH COMMITTEE

1.15 p.m. - 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

GROUP OF 77
(on the International Conference on Financing for Development)

1.30 p.m.- 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6
6.30 p.m. - 8.30 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

GROUP OF 77
(on Fifth Committee matters)

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.3 (World Summit on the Information Society))

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

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There will be a meeting of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) of the Second Committee *today*, 19 October 2001, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

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There will be meetings of the 2001 United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament *today*, 19 October 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Monday, 22 October 2001

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

10 a.m. 29th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Election of twenty-nine members of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme [16 (b)]
2. Election of seven members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination: note by the Secretary-General (A/56/399) [16 (c)]
3. Appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences: note by the Secretary-General (A/56/108) [17 (h)]
4. University for Peace [31]:
   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/314)
   (b) Draft resolution (A/56/L.4)
5. Culture of peace [28]:
   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/349)
   (b) Draft resolution (A/56/L.5)

3 p.m. 30th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency: note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Agency (A/56/313) [14]

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	11th meeting	Conference Room 4

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

3 p.m.	10th meeting	Conference Room 4

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	18th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	19th meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	15th meeting	Conference Room 3
Morning*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

* Following the adjournment of the 15th meeting.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

WORKING GROUP ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 51/210 OF 17 DECEMBER 1996

10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 2

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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SECOND COMMITTEE

On Monday, 22 October 2001, at 10 a.m., Mr. Rubens Ricupero, Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) will address the Second Committee on "The impact of the current slowdown on developing countries in an interdependent global economy". Following this address, the Committee will hear an introductory statement by Mr. Michael Zammit Cutajar, Executive Secretary of the Secretariat for the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (A/56/385). The Committee will also hear an introductory statement to draft resolution "Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006), including the establishment of the World Solidarity Fund for poverty eradication" (A/C.2/ 56/L.5*).

The Committee will then convert itself into informal consultations to consider draft resolutions A/C.2/56/L.2, L.3 and L.4.

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THIRD COMMITTEE

The list of speakers for *all items* allocated to the Third Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Secretary of the Committee, Ms. Kate Starr Newell (tel.: (212) 963-4248; fax: (212) 963-5935; e-mail: newellk@un.org).

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 30 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 30 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea), will be held on Wednesday, 24 October 2001, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., on Thursday, 25 October 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and on Friday, 9 November, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Informal consultations on agenda item 30 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 30 (b) (Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks) will be held on Wednesday, 31 October, Thursday, 1 November, and Friday, 2 November, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

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The 2001 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities will take place on Wednesday, 7 November 2001, at 10 a.m., and on Thursday, 8 November, at 10 a.m. The conference room will be announced at a later date.

It would be appreciated if delegations could submit the names of their representatives to the Secretary of the Pledging Conference, Mr. Alexandre De Barros (room S-2950-G; tel.: (212) 963-2320; fax: (212) 963-5935).

The list of speakers will be open from Monday, 29 October, until Tuesday, 6 November 2001.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

There will be informal consultations, under the chairmanship of the Vice-President of the Council, H.E. Mr.Ivan Šimonović (Croatia), on Monday, 22 October 2001, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, on the following pending issues under the general segment of the Economic and Social Council:

Allocation from the regular budget of the United Nations of resources for the Office of the President of the Economic and Social Council (item 1) (E/2001/L.45)

Annual overview report of the Administrative Committee on Coordination [7 (a)] (E/2001/55, E/2001/43)

Restructuring and revitalization of the Group of Experts on the United Nations Programme in Public Administration and Finance (item 13 (k)) (A/56/127-E/2001/101 and E/2001/L.46)

Programme of Action for the Least developed countries (LDCs) (item 1) (A/CONF. 191/11)

Report of the Commission on Human Settlements (Habitat) (item 13 (d)) (A/56/8)

Report of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources for Development on its second session (item 13 (j)) (E/2000/32)

Report of the Committee for Development planning (item 13 (a)) (E/2001/33)

The Economic and Social Council will hold its resumed substantive session of 2001 on Tuesday, 23 October 2001, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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The Bureau of the Preparatory Committee for the Second World Assembly on Ageing will hold a meeting on Thursday, 25 October 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., with participation of all interested delegations, for the purpose of reviewing the draft text of the International Strategy for Action on Ageing 2002 (as contained in document E/CN.5/2001/PC/L.9), in preparation for the resumed session of the Preparatory Committee on 10 December 2001.

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The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Jalang'o (Kenya), on Thursday, 1 November 2001, at 10 a.m. (sharp) in Conference Room 9.

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United Nations Children's Fund

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Pre-session briefing

An informal pre-session information briefing on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board at its second regular session (10-14 December 2001) will take place on Monday, 26 November 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2001/12. All delegations are invited to attend.

Second regular session for 2001

The second regular session of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from 10 to 14 December 2001 in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2001/12. Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of UNICEF (fax: (212) 326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than Monday, 23 November 2001.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedure and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

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Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive-Nuclear-Test Ban Treaty

The Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) has now been rescheduled to take place from 11 to 13 November 2001 at United Nations Headquarters.

Delegations who have not yet inscribed in the list of speakers for the general exchange of views (item 10 of the draft provisional agenda of the Conference - document CTBT-Art.XIV/2001/1/Rev.1) are kindly asked to communicate their request in writing to the Secretariat of the Conference (room S-3140). States will be enlisted on a first-come-first served basis, with the proviso that representatives at the highest level will be given priority.

Furthermore, in accordance with item 11 of the draft provisional agenda, States which have not signed the Treaty will be able to make statements at the Conference. Delegations wishing to be inscribed in the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the Secretariat of the Conference.

For enquiries regarding the provisional list of speakers, please contact Ms. Myrna Peña (tel.: (212) 963-4022; fax: (212) 963-8892).

As a general guidance, it is assumed that speakers, at the discretion of the President, will talk for up to five minutes each. The Secretariat also wishes to advise that it is the wish of the majority of the States which have ratified the CTBT that the Conference be attended at a high level.

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for representatives of ratifiers and the names of alternate representatives and advisers, in accordance with rule 3 of the draft rules of procedure (document CTBT-Art.XIV/2001/2). Credentials may be submitted to Ms. Mika Murakami, Department for Disarmament Affairs (room S-3140D, tel.: (212) 963-9309, fax: (212) 963-8892), if possible, not later than 2 November 2001.

A list of participants will be prepared for the Conference on the basis of credentials and/or written lists of delegations that are provided to the Secretariat of the Conference. This information should be submitted to Ms. Mika Murakami, Department for Disarmament Affairs (room S-3140D, tel.: (212) 963-9309, fax: (212) 963-8892), if possible, not later than 2 November 2001.

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Announcement

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the fifty-sixth regular session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials may be sent to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (tel.: (212) 963-5358; room S-3420A).

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Secretariat of the United Nations.

There will be meetings of the Group of 77 *(on the resumed session of the Economic and Social Council)* on Monday, 22 October 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, and from 1.30 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 of the Third Committee *(on agenda item 117 (Elimination of racism and racial discrimination))* on Monday, 22 October 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Conference Room D.

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 *(at the ambassadorial level) (on a briefing by the Secretary-General of UNCTAD)* on Monday, 22 October 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 *(agenda items 98 (a) to (e) and (g) (Environment and Sustainable Development))* on Tuesday, 23 October 2001, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

There will be a briefing of the Group of 77 on the Triennial Comprehensive Policy Review on Tuesday, 23 October 2001, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 *(agenda item 30 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea))* on Tuesday, 23 October 2001, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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There will be a meeting of the Islamic Group *(at the ambassadorial level)* on Monday, 22 October 2001, at 3.30 p.m. (conference room to be announced).

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There will be a closed meeting of the Arab Group of the Whole *(at the ambassadorial level)* on Wednesday, 24 October 2001, at 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

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There will be closed meetings of the MASON Group on 25 October 2001, 1 November and 8 November (time and conference room to be announced).

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Seminar

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Treaty Section Office of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs are organizing a Seminar: Deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and registration of treaties. The seminar will be held on Tuesday 30 and Wednesday 31 October 2001, at United Nations Headquarters in New York. A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The deadline for registration is *today*, 19 October. For further information, please contact Ms. Marina Walter (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-0073).

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions for members of permanent missions in New York. The workshop will be held on the following dates: Monday, 5 November 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Tuesday, 6 November from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 November from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 24 October. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603, tel.: (212) 963-9196).

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As from Monday, 1 October 2001, and for the rest of the month, the presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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The Web site of the Irish presidency of the Security Council can be visited at the following address: http://www.un.int/ireland.

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The Web site of the President of the General Assembly can be visited at the following address: http://www.un.org/ga/president. The President's statements and a summary of his daily activities are available on this Web site.

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During the Indonesian chairmanship of the Preparatory Committee for the World Summit on Sustainable Development (Rio+10), the Permanent Mission of Indonesia has set up a Web site that can be visited at the following addresses: http://www.indonesiamission-ny.org *or* http://www.un.int/indonesia.

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During the Belgian presidency of the European Union, statements made at the United Nations on behalf of the European Union are available at the following Web site address: http://www.un.int/belgium.

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Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

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Delegations who wish to make their statements available to the media at Headquarters are advised to provide 100 copies of these directly to the media office located on the third floor in the Secretariat Building (room S-348).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Thursday, 18 October 2001

SECURITY COUNCIL

4391st (closed) meeting

Meeting of the Security Council with the Troop Contributing Countries to the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUC) pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II.A

The Security Council met in private.

The meeting was suspended and will resumed at a later date.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE) 9th meeting

Effects of Atomic Radiation [85]

The Committee concluded its general debate with statements by the representatives of Thailand (on behalf of the member countries of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations), Egypt, Uruguay (on behalf of the member countries of MERCOSUR (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay and the associated States, Bolivia and Chile)), the Syrian Arab Republic, Pakistan, Cuba and Burkina Faso.

The Chairman announced that Cyprus, Kazakhstan, Pakistan and San Marino had become co-sponsors of the draft resolution (A/C.4/56/L.5*). The delegations of Ukraine, Belarus, Suriname and Australia also informed the Committee that they were also co-sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.5* without a vote.

Statements in exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Israel and Egypt.

The Committee thus concluded consideration of agenda item 85.

Organization of work

The Chairman announced that on Monday, 22 October 2001, the Committee would begin its consideration of agenda item 86 (International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space). Delegations were urged to inscribe their names on the list of speakers as soon as possible.

The Chairman also informed the Committee about the status of the election of the Vice-Chairpersons and Rapporteur.

THIRD COMMITTEE 14th meeting

Advancement of women [112]

Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session for the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" [113]

The Committee continued its joint consideration of the items and heard statements by the representatives of Egypt, Guyana (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Burkina Faso (on behalf of the States of West Africa), Cuba, New Zealand, the Republic of Korea, the Sudan, Uganda, the Philippines, Mongolia, Australia, El Salvador, Norway, Nigeria, Japan, Morocco and Peru, as well as by the observer for the Holy See.

The representative of the International Labour Organization also made a statement.

15th meeting

Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly [27]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.11

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Chile announced that Armenia, Australia, Bulgaria, Malta and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution. Subsequently, Barbados, Belize, Burkina Faso, Eritrea, Estonia, Fiji, Haiti, Kyrgyzstan, Malawi, Mozambique, Nicaragua, Saint Lucia joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution, without a vote.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Jamaica, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines and Togo in connection with the draft resolution.

Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family [108]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.2 and the amendments contained in document A/C.3/56/L.7

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Secretary read out the oral correction that had been made to document A/C.3/56/L.7.

The representative of Benin announced that Argentina, Belarus, Bolivia, Ecuador, El Salvador, Russian Federation, Sierra Leone, Suriname and Burkina Faso had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution. Subsequently Chile, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Guinea, Malawi, Morocco and Nicaragua joined in sponsoring the draft amendments.

The Committee adopted the proposed amendments as contained in document A/C.3/56/L.7, as orally corrected.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution contained in document A/C.3/56/L.2, as amended.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, a statement was made by the representative of Benin.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.9

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Secretary read out the oral correction that had been made to the text when the draft resolution was introduced.

The representative of the Philippines announced that Andorra, Bangladesh, Belize, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Columbia, Cyprus, Ecuador, Eritrea, Grenada, Lithuania, Malta, Mauritius, Namibia, Nicaragua, Norway, Peru, Republic of Moldova, San Marino, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Zimbabwe had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution. Subsequently, Armenia, Bolivia, Dominican Republic, Georgia, Guatemala, Haiti, Iceland, Jamaica, Latvia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritania, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, South Africa, the Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland and Turkey joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally corrected.

Follow-up to the International year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing [109]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.3

It was recalled that the Economic and Social Council had recommended to the General Assembly the adoption of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.3.

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, without a vote.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.13

It was recalled that the Economic and Social Council had recommended to the General Assembly the adoption of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.13.

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, without a vote.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.14

It was recalled that the Economic and Social Council had recommended to the General Assembly the adoption of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.14.

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, without a vote.

Advancement of women [112]

Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session for the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" [113]

The Committee continued its joint consideration of the items and heard statements by the representatives of Angola, Morocco, the United Arab Emirates, the United Republic of Tanzania, Ukraine, the Netherlands, Brazil, San Marino, Jamaica, Bolivia, Iraq, Dominican Republic and Canada.

The representative of the International Committee of the Red Cross also made a statement.

FIFTH COMMITTEE 13th meeting

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations [125] *(A/56/11 and Add.1)*

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Arab Emirates, Colombia and Uruguay.

The Chairman of the Committee on Contributions replied to questions raised.

The Secretary of the Committee on Contributions also replied to a question raised by the representative of India.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this agenda item.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this agenda item would begin on that day, Thursday, 18 October 2001, following the adjournment of the formal meeting, under the chairmanship of Mr. A.V.S. Ramesh Chandra (India).

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

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PREPARATORY COMMITTEE FOR THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON FINANCING FOR DEVELOPMENT
Resumed third session 6th meeting

Address by the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

The Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development addressed the Preparatory Committee.

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International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE
Seventy-third session
United Nations Office at Geneva

THURSDAY, 18 OCTOBER 201

1962nd and 1963rd meetings

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 40 of the Covenant [5]

The Committee continued and concluded its consideration of the fifth periodic report of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and overseas territories (CCPR/C/UK/99/5 and CCPR/C/UKOT/99/5).

Consideration of communications under the Optional Protocol to the Covenant [7]

The Committee considered the item in closed session.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography. New York, 25 May 2000

Signature: Lebanon (10 October 2001)

TREATY EVENT _ FOCUS ON TERRORISM
(UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS)
(10-16 November 2001)

Signature of, and deposit of instruments relating to multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General

The above event will take place from 10 November to 16 November 2001 at United Nations Headquarters. Appropriate facilities, including media coverage, will be made available for treaty actions to be undertaken in a solemn setting.

Delegations that have notified the Secretary-General, in response to his letter of 4 October 2001, and those still intending to do so, of their intention to sign or deposit instruments relating to multilateral treaties under his custody, in particular those concerning terrorism, are advised to contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs to promptly arrange appointments (room S-3200; tel.: (212) 963-5047; fax: (212) 963-3693).

Delegations are also requested to submit copies of instruments including, where appropriate, texts of declarations and reservations, and, as necessary, required full powers to the Treaty Section at the latest by 7 November 2001 for verification.

It is recalled that, under the established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign treaties must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of specified treaties by a named representative issued by one of these authorities. Advice on full powers may be obtained from the Treaty Section. Further information on the event will be provided closer to 10 November 2001.

The texts and status of multilateral treaties which address various aspects of terrorism, can be obtained at the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site (http://untreaty.un.org.),

including the following four Conventions deposited with the Secretary-General:

Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes against Internationally Protected Persons including Diplomatic Agents. New York, 14 December 1973;

International Convention against the Taking of Hostages. New York, 17 December 1979;

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997; and

International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism. New York, 9 December 1999.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Blood Donation Drive

In the context of recent events, the Medical Services Division has organized a Blood Donation Drive. This drive will be carried out by the New York Blood Center on Monday, 29 October 2001, on the south side of the Secretariat Lobby between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. The UN grounds pass would be required at the donation site.

Please note that the criteria for blood donation used by the New York Blood Center are those of the Food and Drug Administration of the United States. If you have any questions about this campaign, please call 1-800-933-BLOOD.

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